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Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 28 through page 7, line 5 with the following amended paragraph:

The device 10 of this example further comprises, in this case on the lower side of the carrier plate 4, a microphone 33 by means of which the acoustic signal from the membrane 5 can be recorded and, if necessary, amplified via a small loudspeaker 34. In this example, the device 10 forms part of a computer mouse and is provided with a so-termed hotel circuit, not shown, which causes the current supply to most components of the device 10 to be interrupted if the mouse is idle for a certain period of time. As a result, current consumption is low in that situation. Only the microphone 33 and a control circuit, which is not shown in the drawing, are provided with a permanent power supply. An electric signal issued by the microphone 33 when the ~~bottom~~ button 5 is pressed is used, in this example, to turn on the current supply to all necessary components. The device 10 can thus be readily woken up from "sleep mode" by a user without many additional provisions being required for that purpose.